



# AMERICAN FIRST ARMY MASSING INFANTRY TO PREVENT MAJOR NAZI BREAKTHROUGH

## Largest Japanese Force on Leyte Caught in Trap

No Organized Resistance on Mindoro Island

Captured Airfield Used by Americans

By MURLIN SPENCER  
GENERAL MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, PHILIPPINES, Dec. 20 (P)—The largest Japanese organized force still in action on West Leyte has been caught in a trap; converging Yanks are within six miles of snapping shut an even larger trap on the enemy; and no organized resistance at newly invaded Mindoro has yet been encountered in twin battles for the Central Philippines.

Headquarters announced today that General Sosaku Suzuki's headquarters town of Valencia and its airfield were captured Monday on West Leyte by Seventy-seventh division troops which have moved eight miles north above Ormoc.

Cavalry Seizes Loney

Meanwhile, dismounted First cavalry division troops driving south from the direction of Cagayan Bay have seized Loney, six miles north of Valencia, and in so doing have cut to the rear of forces pinned down by another southbound element, the United States Thirty-second division.

The enemy troops caught between the First cavalry and the Thirty-second are believed to comprise the largest organized Japanese force still in action on Leyte.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur said today the Seventy-seventh was "rolling up remnants of the Yamashita line."

Yamashita Line Smashed

Over a week ago when the Seventy-seventh made the amphibious landing near Ormoc which led to quick capture of that port, the Yamashita line extended roughly for some thirty miles from the Palanas river fifteen miles south of Ormoc to a point about an equal distance north of Ormoc. Since then the Yamashita line has been wiped out south of Ormoc and cut into segments to the north. The enemy's Twenty-sixth division was shattered in the south; his Thirty-fifth division is suffering the same fate in the north.

New Airfield in Use

The captured airfield near Valencia had been used as an emergency strip by the enemy. This probably was the first time the Yanks under MacArthur ever won an airfield which would be put to immediate use by their own supporting planes.

Suzuki apparently moved his headquarters from Valencia when things became too hot.

In addition, Grigg asserted,



YOU CAN GET 'EM--IN GERMANY



HERE ARE SOME OF THOSE CIGARETTES you've been trying to get. They're at the front, in Germany. And they're being handed out by a pretty girl. Pfc. Leroy Zohn (left), of Lebanon, Pa., is getting a handout. So is Abe Swick, of New York. The young lady is Alice Schram, of New Orleans, a Red Cross worker.

### Most Excellent Tribute:

Japanese Erect Memorial to 25,000

Men Tortured to Death on Railway

By JOHN F. CHESTER

LONDON, Dec. 19 (P)—The Japanese forced more than 60,000 white prisoners to labor under worse-than-slavery conditions to speed through the Thailand-Burma Railway and road and then left a monument to 25,000 men who died along the way, the British war office charged today.

Conditions Better Now

Conditions have improved, he said, and are much better in the rear camps. He declared, however, that in building the railway and road the Japanese proceeded "with all speed and regardless of conditions under which the prisoners worked and of the cost of human life."

The war office then took over with a formal supplementary statement. It said all the prisoners had been forced to travel from Singapore to Thailand in metal cattle trucks—so jammed together for five days and nights that they could not lie down and could sleep only by leaning against piles of materials or one another.

#### March through Jungles

The men then had to march up to fifty miles through disease-infested jungles.

Their thirst was such, the war office said, that they drank from muddy puddles, and at the end of each march were so exhausted they fell to the soggy ground, covering their heads with whatever they could as protection against the mosquitos.

The prisoners slept 200 to each work camp but on platforms stretched along each side of a central gangway. They were compelled to work if they could move at all, and some were even carried to their road jobs on stretchers, the statement said.

Since worn-out clothing was not replaced, some had to work naked or in loin-cloths made of rags. The work load was increased until each man had to remove one and a half cubic yards of earth and rock each day—a job the war office said required up to fourteen or fifteen hours of labor.

Col. William B. Fitzhugh Dies at Age 86

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (P)—The Senate put a belated stamp of approval tonight on the six appointees to the reorganized State department, but not until after President Roosevelt personally intervened.

The decks thus were cleared for final adjournment of the seventy-eighth Congress.

Opponents Prove Powerless

Rolling roughshod over a noisy but sparse-voted opposition, the administration won overwhelming approval of the nominations of Joseph C. Grew as under secretary of state and four assistants.

Republicans made it clear, however, for Archibald MacLeish, poetry writing librarian of Congress, who had forced the British Legion and Greek gendarmes and wardens to evacuate the institution.

A widespread hunt was launched by the British, Greek and undoubtedly by the ELAS—militia of the Leftwing EAM political party—for Jean Rallis, quisling premier of Greece during the German occupation, who escaped during the fighting for the prison.

#### Relief Mission Evacuated

In London Herbert H. Lehman, director general of UNRRA, announced that the civil war in Greece had compelled the temporary evacuation of a substantial part of the relief mission after several members of the staff had been wounded in the course of duty.

"The decision to evacuate," Lehman said, "was taken by the military authorities in the light of the present situation which made it impossible for the mission to carry out its objectives."

In addition to Rallis, it was estimated 250 men and thirty women prisoners fled. Most of the prisoners were awaiting trial on political charges.

The ELAS attack trapped the

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Ward Company Case Is Turned Over To White House; Seizure Possible

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (P)—that of preparing papers for Vinson's consideration.

Meanwhile, eventual seizure of the United States Gypsum Company, also headed by Sewell Avery, chairman of Montgomery Ward, was indicated.

The United Mine Workers of America asked the WLB to refer the White House two cases involving alleged non-compliance by Boston and Los Angeles plants of United States Gypsum.

While there is no announcement as to the reason, there appeared little doubt the conference concerned the Ward case.

Earlier, the WLB reported that it was continuing with the Ward case in the customary manner.

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## Congress Ends Hectic Session In Quiet Mood

### Rivers and Harbors Bill Still Unpassed

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (P)—A half-billion dollar postwar rivers and harbors bill was killed tonight when the Senate adjourned without reconsidering a controversial report on it.

Stringent opposition against the measure developed from a House-passed rider exempting the \$360,000,000 Central Valley Project (Calif.) from a forty-two-year old rearing law.

Speakers objecting to the rider were Senators La Follette (Prog-Wis.) and Hatch (D-NM) who contended it would affect the basic land laws of the country and should not be handled in a hasty manner.

The two Westerners suggested, instead, that the Central Valley issue be studied by the Senate Irrigation and Reclamation committee.

Had the measure passed, it faced a possible veto because of opposition of Interior Secretary Ikes to the rider which, he said, would pave the way for land speculation in California.

Less than two dozen House members were in their seats when the adjournment resolution came over from the Senate and was adopted. The House had spent the entire day marking time, waiting for the Senate to clear the business of Congress.

The last business of the House was to adopt a resolution offered by Rep. Michener (R-Mich) expressing the Assembly's thanks to Speaker Sam Rayburn for the able, impartial, dignified manner" in which he presided over Congress.

The speaker was not at his desk to hear the brief tribute from the Republican spokesman. He left yesterday for his home in Texas and turned the chair over to Rep. Cox (D-Ga.).

At least six German counterattacks were smashed.

Farther to the south the situation remained fluid and obscure, with deep German penetrations reported, but in this mountainous pine-covered area, where millions of snow-covered evergreens stand like Christmas trees, the Germans' elite guard tank columns have been stopped and hurled back while their flying bombs still thunder overhead.

These new blows in the stepped-up war aimed to knock out Japanese sources of airpower and supply lines for the enemy forces in China were reported in a War department communiqué.

Without giving details, another broadcast said that German armor had cut Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges' army in two and, for the first time, gave definite indication that the idea behind the offensive was to stabilize the entire western front by beating the Allies to the punch.

The whole secret of Hitler's plan

now is revealed, a German announcer told German forces in the west.

Nazi Advance Halted

Associated Press Correspondent Wes Gallagher said the Nazi advance had been halted south of Monschau today in bloody fighting during which "some gallant doughboys stood fast in their foxholes and let themselves actually be run over by Nazi tanks without retreating."

But farther south the situation

still remained fluid and obscure,

Gallagher said.

Supreme headquarters maintained its own strict news censorship, but promised tonight that a full and truthful account of the reverse on the First army front would be given in the public at the earliest moment consistent with military security.

A front dispatch from Associated Press Correspondent William F. Boni said Lt. Gen. Courtney H. Hodges was throwing all available forces into the effort to stem the "most serious setback to American arms on this side of the world since Kasserine pass in Tunisia."

Germans Still Advancing

Boni said the main German effort had been fairly well channeled and contained on its flanks but that the enemy spearhead still was probing into Belgium, with elements of crack division providing the impetus. The press camp was evacuated to the rear last night.

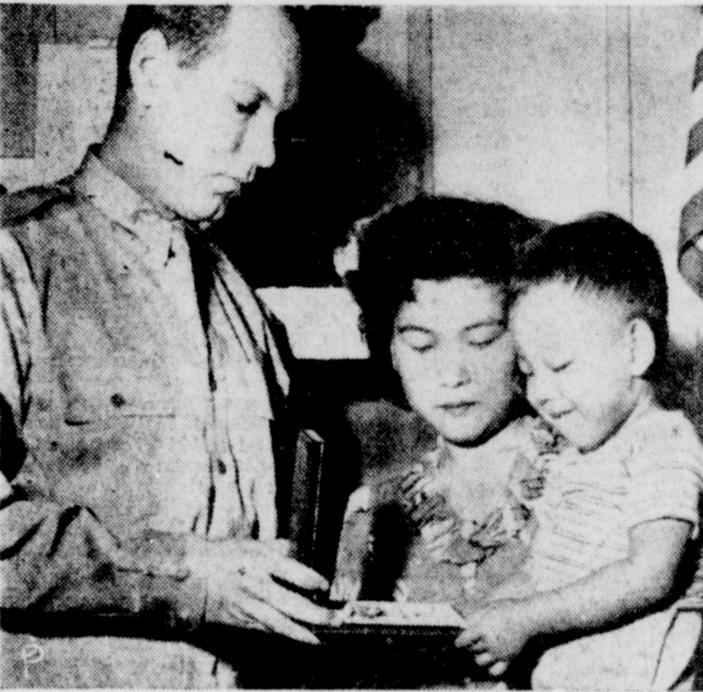
Late today an emergency call

brought a big force of United Flying Fortresses and British Lancasters from British fields to spread 2,000 tons of fragmentation and high explosive bombs on rail and road junctions immediately behind the attacking Nazi forces.

They were forced to bomb through thick-ground-clinging clouds and

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## MEDAL FOR DAD HE NEVER SAW



IT'S A BAUBLE FOR A BABY, now, but in years to come it will be a heritage precious to little Wallace Miyabe, 3, pictured at home in Honolulu in his mother's arms as the Silver Star Medal awarded posthumously to his dad was presented by Lt. Col. Edward M. Blight. Wallace's father, Sgt. Charles Miyabe, went off to war before the son was born. He'll never come back—he was killed in action. Signal Corps photo.

## Doughboys Halt Terrific Battle On North Flank

## Omura Aircraft Factory Bombed By Superforts

By WES GALLAGHER

IN BELGIUM, SOUTH OF MONSCHAU, Dec. 19 (P)—Veteran American doughboys thought one of the war's wildest battles on a moment's notice brought the German attack on the northern flank near here to a bloody halt today when other B-29's hit targets in enemy-held Shanghai and Nanking on the Chinese mainland.

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By WILLIAM T. PEACOCK

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (P)—The big Omura aircraft factory on the Japanese home island of Kyushu came in for another blasting from American Superfortresses today when other B-29's hit targets at enemy-held Shanghai and Nanking on the Chinese mainland.

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Planes Attack

China-based B-29's in "medium force" — an expression which usually means about forty planes — bombed Omura through an overcast with precision instruments. It was the fifth time that Omura, which has a huge aircraft assembly works, had been hit since last July.

Given to "excellent" results were reported for the raids on docks and engineering works at Shanghai and Ningpo. The B-29's shot down five enemy fighters, probably bagged three others and damaged an additional nine although a communiqué said little opposition was encountered.

Meantime checks of air photographs showed that heavy damage was inflicted by strikes twenty-four hours earlier at Nagoya, Japan's third largest city, and Hankow, China.

Plane Plant Fired

Black smoke rolled up to a 1,000 feet above a big airplane plant at Nagoya, a communiqué said, while it was disclosed that more than 250 planes of the Japanese force were sent into the air over China — participated in the attack on Hankow.

Walter Rundt, representing the combined American press which flew with China-based forces in the raid on Hankow, reported the striking force was made up of B-29's, smaller bombers and fighters.

It dropped the heaviest bomb load

than any in the Asiatic mainland.

Flames Sweep Waterfront

Huge fires were left blazing along the entire length of Hankow's three-mile-long Yangtze river waterfront, said dispatch sent by Associated Press.

Charles A. Grunich from a Sun

China. Many of the B-29's which participated in this raid carried their maximum load of substantial

bombs.

Then more German tanks appeared and the doughboys and American tank-destroyers started slugging it out with them.

The town now is firmly in American hands.

A few miles south of there, another group of tank destroyers knocked out three or five German tanks that they engaged in a furious three-hour fight.

Take 2,044 Prisoners

In advancing on Kassa the Russians announced that on the east and southeast alone they had taken

2,044 German and Hungarian prisoners, and added another 1,600 to the total.

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## Steamship Lines Called Profiteers

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP)—A story of how nineteen steamship lines made profits averaging \$300,000 a voyage hauling war cargoes was filed with Congress today.

The information came from the House Merchant Marine committee in a report which labeled the payments, made with lend-lease funds, "completely out of line."

The committee blamed the Maritime commission for the situation, saying it had fixed "excessive rates" for the voyages.

The report said two of the lines—Weyerhaeuser Steamship Com-

pany and the American President Lines—have refunded fifty-one percent of their profits and that the commission now was trying, with little success, to get back some of the profits from others through court action.

The profits were made, the report stated, on war cargoes hauled in 1941, from the United States to Suez and vicinity via the Red Sea for the British government.

Ninety voyages were reported made, with profits totaling \$26,874,176. In many cases, the committee said, the profit per voyage equaled nearly half the ship's value.

Christopher Columbus's body is buried in the cathedral of Santo Domingo at Ciudad Trujillo, Dominican Republic.

## Shanghai Raided By Ten B-29s

(By The Associated Press)

More than ten B-29s raided Japanese-held Shanghai, China, for four hours Tuesday morning (Tokyo time) the enemy radio said tonight in an unconfirmed broadcast.

The broadcast, recorded by the Federal Communications commission, made no mention of damage or claims of shooting down any Superfortresses.

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## Gas Hijacked In Paris Streets

By WADE WERNER

PARIS, Dec. 4 (Delayed) (AP)—Gasoline has been hijacked at the point of a gun on Paris streets as liquor was hijacked in the United States during prohibition.

Pilfering of vitally needed American army supplies, particularly rations and gasoline, reached such proportions that it seriously menaced military operations.

So battle-hardened Americans who chased the Germans out of France and fought them on their own soil are taking a hand in a new war well behind the present front lines.

It is a war against pilfering of supplies en route from ports or beaches to the battlefields and the "shock troops" who are beginning to win it are new military police battalions composed largely of officers and men who have recovered from wounds but are not fit for heavy combat.

They are guarding supply trains rolling hundreds of miles to the front.

It has been found that men who themselves suffered shortages at the front as the result of pilfering now are the best watchdogs for supply trains.

Hardbodied, they are given credit for cutting thefts down to manageable proportions. Once these thefts had reached a point where black market operators got almost a bigger share of some trainloads than did the frontline troops.

Curiously, the army has learned that it also needs battle-hardened men where policing jobs call for special tact and understanding.

A considerable number of these new MPs from the frontlines also are assigned to Paris, where front-line soldiers naturally gravitate on leave. Because the MPs themselves are experienced in battle strain, wounds and muddy boredom, they know how to handle these men who are eager for relaxation.

Polish-American Plan To Protest Churchill's Course

CHICAGO, Dec. 19 (AP)—Directors of the Polish-American Congress voted today to call an extraordinary session of the organization's Supreme Council in Washington Jan. 11 to act on what they called Premier Churchill's willingness "to condemn millions of innocent people of Poland" into "the sphere of the Russian orbit with its abhorrent communism."

Charles Rozmarek, president of the Congress, which claims 6,000,000 members, said the directors voted to reaffirm the group's previous stand that the Atlantic Charter and four freedoms enunciated by President Roosevelt and Churchill must obtain in settlement of the Russian-Polish boundary dispute.

"When Churchill stated that Eastern Poland, which embraces a population of thirteen million people, is a great gift which the Poles have to give to Russia," he confessed to the world his impotency to deal with an ally turned aggressor," Rozmarek said in a statement.

"America, as the torch-bearer of liberty," his statement continued, "cannot support any policy, which in the Russian interpretation, would encourage the Soviet Union to seize land and men. It does not need x x x The American people are entitled to receive a more clarifying analysis of their government's foreign policy than any heretofore given." x x x

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## Norden Company Is Indicted in Conspiracy Case

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 (AP)—Carl L. Norden, Inc., makers of the famed Norden bombsights, was indicted by a federal grand jury today, accused of conspiracy to hamper output of the war device which have been credited with playing a major part in American air successes.

Named in two indictments were Theodore H. Barth, president, and Ward E. Marville, vice president of the Norden firm; the efficiency survey company of Corrigan, Osborne and Wells; Navy Cmdr. John D. Corrigan as head of the concern; and Robert H. Wells, vice president.

**Conspiracy Charged**

The indictments further charged a conspiracy designed to force war plants to employ the survey company, specialists in the installation of production control systems.

Carl L. Norden, Dutch-born inventor of the bombsight, who recently turned over to the United States government all patents, models and designs, was not involved, government officials said, adding that he no longer was associated with the firm.

The Norden firm said later in a statement that the charges were as utterly fantastic as they are untrue."

This corporation developed the Norden bombsight, turned the patent over to the navy, and has not only met but exceeded every production schedule set up by the navy," the statement continued.

**Denies Misconduct**

Wells, in another statement, denied any misconduct by himself, the corporation or Corrigan, and expressed confidence that all would be fully vindicated at any trial.

The first bill accused the four men and the Norden Company with conspiracy to impede navy supervision of production by Remington Rand, Inc., Elmira, N. Y., of the bombsight under subcontract with the Norden concern.

Corrigan, Wells and their firm were named in the other indictment which made a similar charge and accused Corrigan of concealing his financial interest in his company and filing false reports of war plant surveys to the navy.

Corrigan's navy commission has been under suspension since June when inquiry into the case was started by the grand jury, the Justice department and the Senate War Investigating committee. In Washington, the navy said the question of a court martial for Corrigan had been held in abeyance pending completion of the grand jury proceedings.

**Farmer Gets Wildcat, But Not Right One**

VANCEBURG, KY., Dec. 19 (AP)—Otto Sparks, a farmer of nearby Tollesboro, brought a wildcat hide into Vanceburg, but county Judge Taft Stone said it wasn't the famous wildcat of Martin Hollow, and that the \$1,000 reward posted for it did not apply.

Sparks, who reported that the animal was killed on Escapula mountain by his son, Floyd, sold the hide, however, to O. P. Tannian, a Vanceburg banker, for \$10.25.

The cat clawed two hound dogs before it was killed, Sparks reported.

Meanwhile, Joseph Johnson, tenant farmer who started the recent controversy by reporting that he was keeping his children home from school because of the Martin Hollow wildcat, announced that he's attempting to trap the animal.

"He's a right pert old critter," Johnson commented, "but he's going to get caught-up with."

## Four Meet Death In Auto Wreck

CHRISTIANSBURG, Va., Dec. 19 (AP)—Four persons, two of them brothers, were killed and three others were injured tonight when the car in which they were riding crashed into a concrete culvert guard on Route 8 near here.

DR. A. N. Showalter, Montgomery county coroner and chief of staff of the new Altamont hospital, where the victims were taken listed the dead as:

Bernice Thompson, 20, of Merrimac; William Elvin Akers, 20, and James Ellett Akers, 29, both of Riner and Jesse L. Reed, 39, of Radford.

Injured were Lawrence Edward Underwood, 19, a soldier of Bremen; Mrs. James H. Davis, 17, of Merrimac, and Alfred H. Lucas, 25, of Route 1, Christiansburg.

The coroner said he was told that the car was traveling south on Route 8 from Christiansburg to Riner when it apparently went out of control, crashed into the concrete guard and was demolished.

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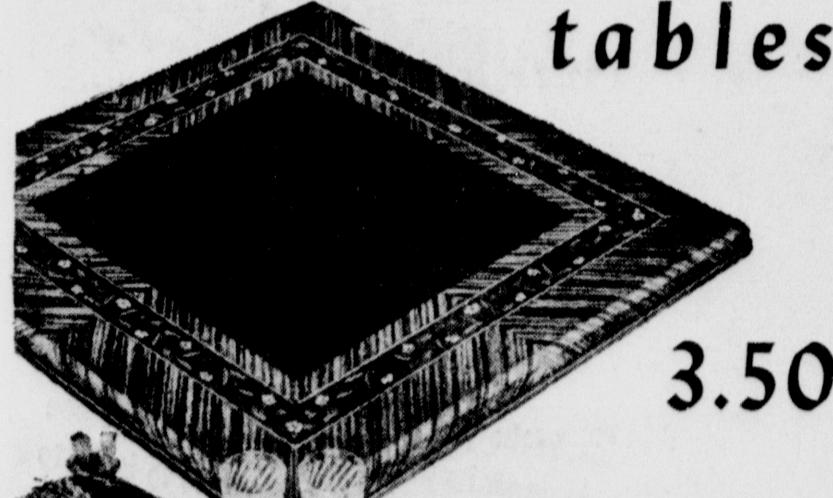
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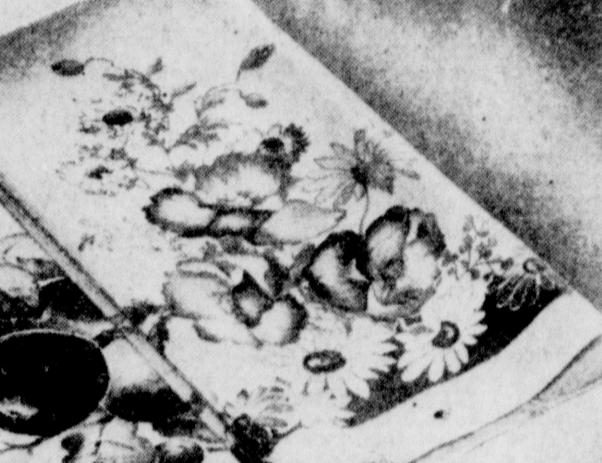
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## The Congressional Salary Question

CONSIDERING the vast war costs, the general wage freeze, the huge mounting debt and their inability to effect any measurable degree of governmental economy, it is a pretty poor time for congressmen to think about raising their own salaries.

The movement is bringing forth some proposals congressmen probably don't like to hear.

One is that, since congressmen admittedly are inadequately paid, the country could probably get along better if the size of the House of Representatives were reduced from its present 435 members to around 300. It is held here that the present membership is too unwieldy and makes for undue delay in the enactment of legislation. It is also contended that better paid men would bring men of better ability.

Another proposal is that, as set forth by one newspaper contributor, "it will be time enough to grant our congressmen an increase of \$2,500 in their salaries if and when something really worth while has been done for the relief of forgotten men." A good point, indeed. It is pointed out that the attention of Congress has been repeatedly drawn to the painful fact that little or no effort has been made to better the condition of the millions of white - collar wage - earners, or those dependent upon small retirement allowances, sometimes erroneously called pensions.

So it appears that the congressmen who are worrying about their own comfort and finances would do well first to give some attention to the various items noted.

## The OPA Tries

## A Hard One

SOME of our governmental agencies are stumbling against some pretty big hard rocks in their worthy endeavor to straighten out our wartime economy.

There's a stopper that has confronted the OPA for example. It has issued a new set of regulations covering "occasional institutional users of ration food." That means people who now and then serve a church supper or similar eating function and charge money for it.

Under the regulations, the "occasional institutional users" must make application thirty days before the date of the meal, and specify how many persons are going to attend. They must also account for any unused rationed food within ten days "after the last service of food during the period covered by the application."

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But Allied strategy seems to have changed to the theory that Japan will be overwhelmed, not from China, but by land, sea and air attacks from the Pacific side. No less an authority than Admiral King holds to this opinion. Recently he said it could be done, and he didn't care if the whole world knew of the plan.

With General MacArthur's forces secure in the Philippines, with air and sea attacks growing in intensity, the situation in China may be written off as unfortunate but not definite.

## A Crusade That Should Succeed

DURING THE WAR America has had an opportunity to press toward success its long battle to reduce opium smoking in the world. When Japan tied up most of the sources of opium production, America was the only nation having a large reserve supply. Other nations needed it for medical purposes and approached this country for stocks.

America divided its supplies, with the understanding that the nations would help eliminate opium production not needed for medicine.

Britain, Holland, France and Portugal have found in opium a rich source of revenue from their colonies in Asia and the East Indies. In fact, opium accounts for two to twenty per cent of all revenues from those colonies. Pre-war opium production was 5,300,000 pounds and less than one-eighth of the amount was needed for medicine. And the opium consumers became human addicts. Japan encourages opium smoking to weaken opposition in Asia. That plan is backfiring, as more and more Japanese soldiers become addicts.

Britain and Holland have promised to eliminate opium as a source of revenue after the war and are trying to hold production to the amount needed for medicine. America is now bringing pressure on France and Portugal for the consummation of similar agreements. It is to be hoped the effort made by this nation will be successful everywhere.

## The OPA Tries

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all six nominations back to the president.

Senator Tom Connally, who is leading the administration's battle to confirm the nominations, has succeeded in getting the name of Joseph Grew before the Senate for individual action. A motion to send all six back to the White House cannot be voted on ahead of the Grew nomination which, if allowed to come to a vote separately, would be confirmed by a substantial majority. So a filibuster was planned last week in order to compel first a vote on the "all-six" rejection idea.

Originally, Senator Clark of Missouri, Democrat, had been expected to lead the filibuster but over the weekend, learned of the conspiracy and notified Senator Connally he wouldn't be party to it and would vote for all six, including MacLeish whom he had previously opposed. This is understandable because he was opposed by the CIO for re-nomination.

Also, Chairman Hannegan, of the Democratic National Committee, comes from Missouri and it is understood Mr. Hannegan is not a little displeased with the attempt of the Hillman group to assert its mastery over the Democratic party in this, the first important controversy after the election affecting the solidarity of the Democrats in the Senate.

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## Pettengill Lists Sturdy Reading For Christmas

By SAMUEL B. PETTENGILL

The world tide ebbs back toward serfdom — unlimited government — the omnipotent state — back to Caesarism under various aliases such as communism, National Socialism, fascism, New Deal bureaucracy. The individual, the Bible, the Bill of Rights, the constitution, private property, incentive enterprise—all these are being evaded day by day.

A counter-offensive is called for! Books are the bullets in this war. Americans must not let these advocates of statism howl us down with their gib "facts" and phony humanitarianism.

Why not make yourself a present of an honest book? Why not give one to your friend, your son or daughter in school, your pastor? Hot Air Let Out

"The Real Soviet Russia" by David J. Dallin, Yale University Press. This book lets out the hot air of Bolshevik ballyhoo. The secret police, concentration camps, forced labor, the pitiful standard of living, the brutal attempt for human life which Mr. Dallin discloses, ought to be understood by all who vote. Will some motion picture company portray the facts as against the soothing syrup of "The Mission to Moscow"?

"The Road to Serfdom" by Frederick Hayek, University of Chicago Press. This book is masterpiece of intellectual honesty written by an ex-socialist Austrian economist who admits he went wrong. I cannot praise it too highly. It dissects Marxism to its marrow and exhibits its grim skeleton of cruelty. "Omnipotent Government" by Ludwig von Mises, Yale University

Los Angeles, Calif. This reprint of an essay by the great French economist of 100 years ago shows with startling force that the New Deal is very old indeed. This also is inexpensive, and you can do far worse with your money than see that your friends read it—and answer it if they can!



## THE THREE SCOURGES OF MAN

★ Devastating epidemics have ranked with war and famine as population levelers. Of these three scourges of man, pestilence was most dreaded. During the Black Plague epidemic of 1348, it was estimated that in some places over two-thirds of the population was wiped out.

The discovery of bacteria as the cause of infectious disease is still within the memory of the living. Pasteur developed the first vaccine for rabies in 1885. Since that time many immunizing procedures have become routine. As a consequence, deaths from infectious diseases have been drastically reduced.

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Ancient mounds along the banks of the Mississippi river were manufactured by the Indians as retreats during flood seasons.





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## Joe Buries His Friend Bill in Clean New Suit

### Medic Pays Tribute To His Dead Comrade

By KENNETH L. DIXON

IN GERMANY, Dec. 11 (UPI)—They buried him in the little military cemetery not far from here. He didn't want to die overseas and he didn't want to be buried anywhere except in his little mid-western home town where the natural time came for him to die.

But otherwise conditions being what they are—he probably would be pleased with the way things were handled.

**Just Bill and Joe**

His fatal wounds cleansed as carefully as though he still were alive his body washed and clad in a fresh uniform, he was buried in a clean, quiet manner fitting the clean, peace-loving youngster he was. And because it is, of necessity, unusual to the combat zone, maybe it should be told.

Call him Bill. Call his friend Joe.

They were medical aid men who had been at war more than two years, yet still were apart from it. They took more chances than any warrior in their outfit, but neither ever fired a shot in anger.

Constant companions, they were almost legends for their quiet heroism. Back in camp in the states some three years ago they had been kidded, called pill pushers and razed by soldiers as non-combatants—but that was three years ago. Nobody who's been in combat ever razes front-line medics.

During a house fight in small town word came back that there was a wounded man inside a building a short distance away. The message also said the building was mine and boobytrapped so tightly it was almost impossible to step inside it. They said for the medics to wait until an engineer could go with him—or some

body who knew how to smell out traps and take care of them.

#### No Time To Wait

But anybody who knew Bill would have known his reaction. There was a man wounded in there, therefore no time to wait.

He didn't come back. Joe asked where he had gone. They told him and repeated the warnings, but he had a double reason to go.

The wounded man was dead when Joe got inside. So was Bill. Despite the booby traps, Joe picked up Bill and carried him back. Nobody said anything when he brought Bill back. There wasn't anything to say.

Quietly, efficiently, as though Bill were still alive, Joe began to cleanse his wounds. Sadly, soldiers looked at the little tableau. Nobody tapped his forehead or did anything to indicate a belief that Joe had blown his top. But that's what they thought.

Joe's commanding officer went up to him and suggested gently it was too late to do Bill any good. Joe looked up, puzzled. Then in a moment he understood.

#### Not Buried Dirty

"It's all right, sir," he said. "I am all right. It is just that he was a clean kid. He lived that way and he never stayed dirty if there was any way to get clean, and he's not going to be buried dirty."

Then he returned to his work. He brought water and gave Bill a bath. It wasn't necessary to shave him because he had shaved that morning.

Somehow Joe managed to scrounge a clean pair of pants and a shirt. They might not have fit just right, but they were clean. That was the important thing.

Perhaps it is horrible that it should have been such a wonderful thing. But it was. Maybe it is even more horrible that everybody understood—that nobody thought Joe was off his rocker anymore. They remembered Bill's hatred of filth and they understood, as only men who have seen other men live, die and be buried unclean for two years could understand.

There is something sickeningly made it different for Bill. Freshly incident about the mass unimportance of the dead in combat. In general this is unavoidable. But Joe scrubbed behind the ears, he went to his foreign grave with his face as clean as his hands.

In Ethiopia, it is possible in a single day to travel from a region of oppressive heat to one of intense cold.

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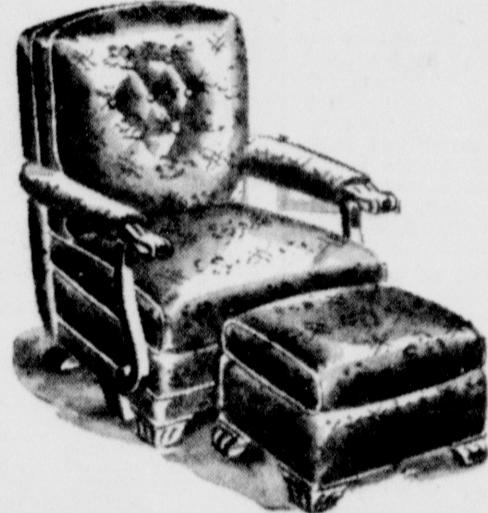
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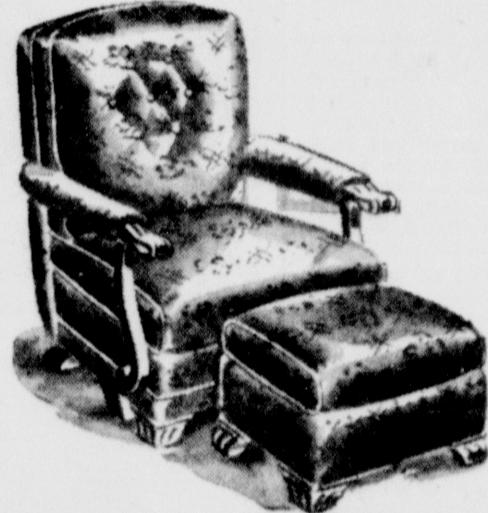
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## Christmas Play Will Be Given at Grace Baptist

Sunday School Will Present "Two Christmases" on December 27

The Grace Baptist Sunday school will present a play entitled "Two Christmases" as it's annual Christmas entertainment at 7:30 o'clock December 27 in the church auditorium, under the direction of Miss Mary Robb.

The play on the theme, "Love for Jesus," is divided into two parts, the first with the setting in Bethlehem shows the children discussing the strange scene at Bethlehem and then their arrival at the manger bringing gifts to the Christ Child.

The second part of the play is in modern times and depicts the children quarreling over the gifts they will invite to their Christmas party, until the Christmas Spirit comes to them in their dreams and reminds them that in their plans they had forgotten, "love" so the children can invite the poorer children of the neighborhood to the party and present them with gifts. Appropriate music is sung between each scene, by the junior choir.

The songs will include, "My Wish," "The First Christmas," "My Gift To Jesus," "When Christmas Time Is Here," "You Did It Unto Me," and "The Heart of Christmas."

The principal singing parts are taken by Betty Billings, Valena Clark, Doris Trenton, Robert Keefe, Herman Lewis, Mrs. Margaret Reynolds, Gilbert Storey, Ruth Rahn, William Lester, Betty Cessna, Ethel Wolfe, James Reish, Charles Burley, Robert Rahn and Fay Johnson.

Solos will be sung by Betty Cessna and James Wilt, other singers will include Arelene Wilt, Beverly Wilt, William Clayton, Vera Clark, Ruth Layne, Madeline Layne, Shirley Lester, Shirley Lowder, Barbara Henry, Alma Lawder, Eileen Billings and June Kesecker.

A treat for the children will be held at the conclusion of the program.

## Young People Will Present Cantata

The Young People's Group and the Choir of Calvary church, Cresaptown, will present a Christmas Cantata at 8 o'clock Friday evening in the church.

Philip Bowman will be the narrator for the cantata entitled, "Worship at the Manger," and Gloria Summerfield will portray Mary. Raymond Schlosser, Joseph; Edward Shuck, John Armstrong and Charles Orndorff will be the shepherds. The cast will include twenty-five persons.

Solo parts will be sung by Richard Summerfield, Miss Frances Orndorff, Chris Snyder and Miss Laura Jean Douthit.

The Christmas party planned for tonight has been postponed until after Christmas.

## Class Has Dinner

The Emmanuel Bible class of Kingsley Methodist church held its annual turkey dinner for members and their families, last evening at the church hall.

Mrs. C. Wigal conducted the devotions on Dickens' Christmas carol. Mrs. L. H. Wood presided at the dinner and the business session, which followed.

A donation of \$10 was given to the Strawbridge Home for Boys and the Kelso Home for Girls; \$30 was pledged to the Crusade for Christ and arrangements made for sending several Christmas baskets. Class sisters were reelected and new ones chosen. Thirty-three attended.

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## Christmas Play To Be Given in Cresaptown Tonight

The annual Christmas program of the Cresaptown Methodist church Sunday school will feature selections by the orchestra and a play entitled, "Which, Santa Claus or Mother Goose?" at 7:45 o'clock this evening in the church auditorium.

T-3 Frank E. Jaumot has arrived in France with a signal corps unit, according to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Jaumot, Sr., 424 Walnut street.

Maryland soldiers serving with the veteran Thirty-fourth "Red Bull" division of Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark's Fifth army in Italy are sending out Christmas greetings to home folks. Among them is Pfc. Louis Levin, assistant gunner in an infantry regiment whose home is at 245 North Mechanic street. To his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Levin, he says "Dear Mom and Dad—All my love and best wishes for a joyous Christmas—Louis."

Cpl. Francis A. Fahey, 29, husband of Mrs. Elizabeth M. Fahey, 202 Maple street, has been awarded the good conduct medal, according to an announcement made recently at a Fifteenth air force heavy bomber base in Italy. Cpl. Fahey entered the service April 14, 1943. His Liberator bomber outfit has flown more than 145 combat missions against targets in Southern Europe and the Balkans.

Sgt. John W. Cunningham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Cunningham, Mt. Savage, is privileged to wear two gold chevrons on the left sleeve of his tunic after having completed one year of overseas service. Serving in a clerical capacity with the quartermaster corps at an Eighth air force service command station in England, Sgt. Cunningham entered the service in October, 1941.

Cpl. Francis A. Carter, of Mt. Savage, is a rifleman in the One Hundred and Thirty-fifth infantry regiment which recently marked its three hundred and thirty-eighth day in combat in Italy. The regiment, a unit of the Thirty-fourth "Red Bull" division with Lt. Gen. Mark Clark's Fifth army, has been in foreign service continuously for more than two and a half years.

Cpl. Abner W. Walters, who has been in a hospital in France since Sept. 29, from a knee injury received in combat, has been taken by a plane to a hospital in England for further treatment. He is a nephew of Mrs. Earl Gross, 515 Woodlawn Terrace.

## INGHAM LORD CHORAL GROUP WILL SING AT DUKE CLASS MEETING

A program of Christmas music will be given by members of the group formerly known as the Ingham Lord Choral Singers at the meeting of the Duke Memorial Bible Class Sunday at 9:45 a.m. in the Central YMCA.

Organized in 1908 and named The St. Mary's High School Chorale Club will present the program at the Queen City station from 8:15 to 9 o'clock with Mrs. Thomas Speake in charge. The program of singing to Christmas travelers was inaugurated last year under the sponsorship of the Men's Division of the Baltimore and Ohio Co-operative Traffic Program.

Tonight's program will include the Seldoms' heard Christmas carol "When Blossoms Flowered," "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," "Silent Night," "O Come All Ye Faithful," "Little Town of Bethlehem," "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," "Away in a Manger," and "White Christmas." The club is under the direction of Sister Eileen.

## O.U.R. Circle Has Christmas Party

The O.U.R. Circle of the Cresaptown Methodist church held its meeting in the form of a Christmas party last evening at the home of Mrs. Leroy Sindy with Miss Ethel Sindy as hostess.

Miss Marguerite Richardson presided and Mrs. Ruth Beaver reported that \$150 had been made for the parsonage fund of the church by selling various articles as Christmas cards, writing paper and candy. Miss Evelyn May reported twenty-nine visits had been made to the sick during the month and a gift was presented to Mrs. S. E. Powell teacher, by the class.

A worship service on the Christmas story in the Bible was conducted by Miss Richardson and the prayer was led by Miss Dorothy McDonald. A jingle party concluded the evening and gifts were exchanged. The holiday motif was carried out in the color scheme with a red and green icing on the cake and green desert.

Miss Marguerite Sindy will be hostess for the meeting January 16.

## Events in Brief

Practice for the choir of the Grace Baptist church Cantata will be held at 7:30 o'clock tomorrow evening at the church.

The Engineers Club will have W. H. Longwell as the guest speaker at the dinner-meeting at 6:30 o'clock this evening at the All Ghan Shrine Country Club.

The Progressive Mothers Club entertained the children of members at a Christmas party Saturday in the First Presbyterian church house. Games were played and Marie Goldsworthy and Joseph Abigail won the awards. Santa distributed gifts from the tree.

The Royal Ambassadors of the First Baptist church will present a pageant, "Shepherd Boy of Bethlehem," at the service at 7:30 o'clock this evening.

Anti-friction bearings in four Wright Cyclone engines flew 1,134 hours without overhaul.

Other Social News  
On Page 7

## Goodall-Caslin Vows Announced

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Lt. Edna M. Caslin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Caslin, Texas, of Staff Sgt. Harold L. Goodall, son of Mrs. John M. Goodall, Huntingdon, W. Va.

The ceremony was performed at 4 o'clock December 16 in Hagerstown with the Rev. Father Dautsche, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic church, officiating. The bride was given in marriage by her brother, John Caslin, of Texas, and Sgt. Norma Palmer, Hagerstown, formerly stationed here, was her maid of honor and only attendant.

The bride is in charge of the Western Maryland district of WAC recruiting in the Third Service Command, and was attached to the local office before her transfer to Hagerstown.

Sgt. Goodall was a crew member of the Eighth air force and was wounded in France on D-day. He is now a patient in Newton D. Baker General hospital, Martinsburg, W. Va., and has been assigned to the air base at Fort Knox, Ky.

Sgt. and Mrs. Goodall will spend a brief wedding trip in Huntingdon during the holidays.

Attending the ceremony from here were Sgt. Ruth Baker, Sgt. Mary Jane Guernsey, Cpl. Helen D. Ferguson, son; and Mrs. Charles Bowman and her family, the Old Woman Who Lived in the Shoe.

A chorus composed of Judith Ann Johnson, Margaret Ann Hershberger, Genevieve Lewis, Nina Lee Chaney, Clara Jane Maritz, Helen Borror, Aloysius Twigg, Shirley Chaney, Charlotte Twigg, Betty McDonald and Eleanor Van Meter, will sing a program of Christmas music.

The group singing will include "There's a Song in the Air," and "Joy to the World." Clyde Sindy will read the Scripture and offer the prayer.

An offering for the Methodist children's homes will be taken following a short talk on the subject by the Rev. Louis P. Chastain, who also officiate at several baptisms, receive new members into the church and offer the benediction.

The committee in charge of the program includes Dora Lewis, Ruth Johnson, Susan Smith, Mrs. George Kravna, the Arrangement committee comprises Iona Shaffer, LeRoy Lewis, Evelyn Bowman, Mary Elizabeth Higgins and Clyde Sindy.

Miss Doris Corrigan was chairman of arrangements and was assisted by Miss Martha Lee Wallace, Miss Patricia Flynn and Miss Milda Barry.

The annual Christmas party of the Western Maryland Coin Club will be held in the form of a dinner and card party at 7 o'clock in the meeting of the Duke Memorial Bible Class Sunday at 9:45 a.m. in the Central YMCA.

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ers will be used in the decorations to carry out the holiday motif. William Jewell is chairman of arrangements and is being assisted by a committee consisting of Edward Eyer, Kenneth Carder, Owen Morris and Robert Martin.

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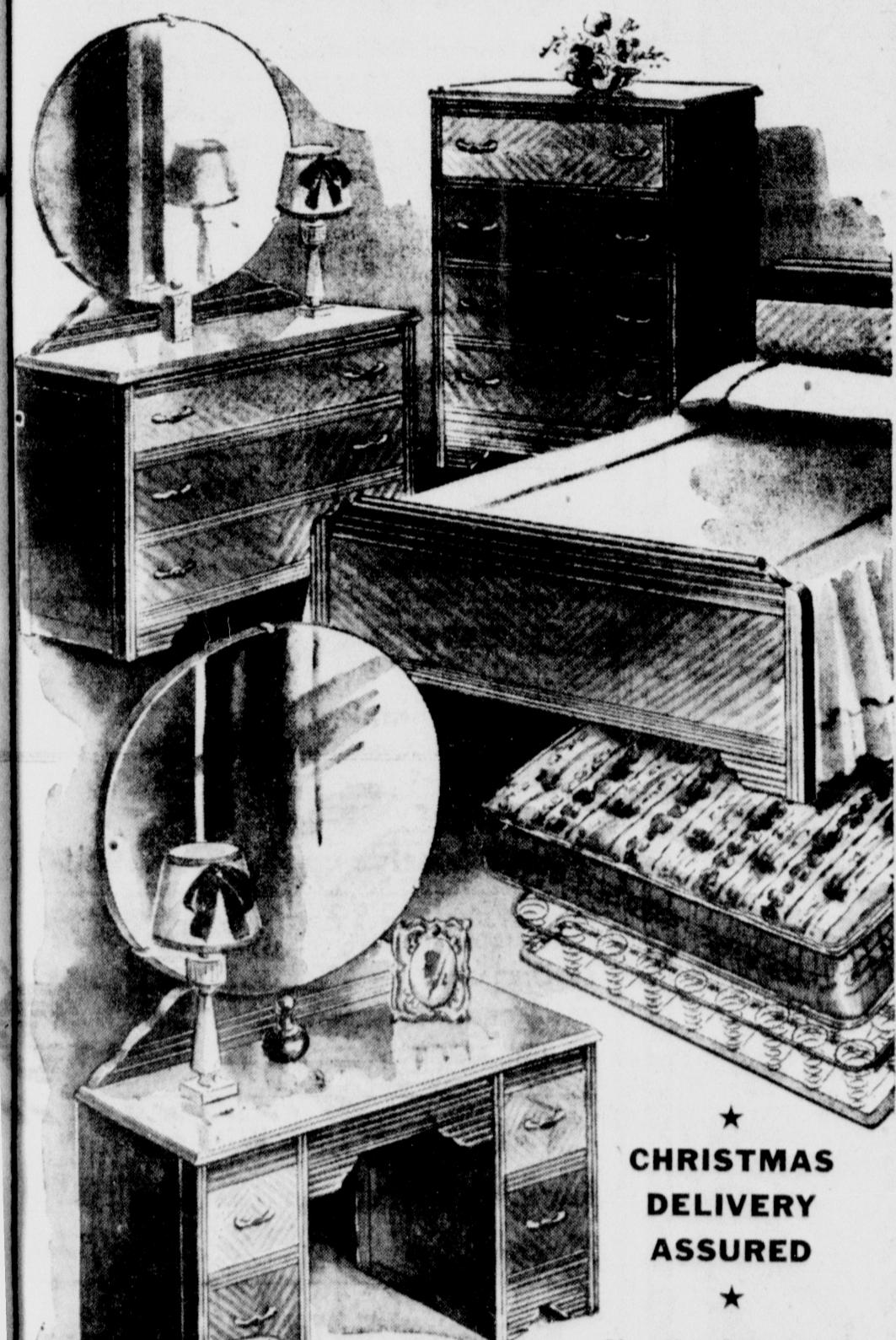
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### Lions Will Entertain 150 Children Today

The twelfth annual children's Christmas party to be given by the Cumberland Lions Club will be held at noon today at Central YMCA under the chairmanship of J. K. Snyder, with approximately 250 guests attending.

A musical program will be presented by the Fort Hill High School Orchestra, the Girl Scout Carol Singers, under the direction of Miss Pearl Garbrick; Miss Josephine Williams will sing several solo numbers and the Lions Quartet will sing Christmas carols.

Santa's visit and distribution of gifts will feature the entertainment. Besides Mr. Snyder, other members of the committee are J. K. Trenton, Larry Cessna, Paul Myers and G. A. Rehbeck.

### Appears in Concert

Miss Jeanne Hazelwood appeared in the Mount Holyoke College Glee Club's twentieth annual Christmas concert in Town Hall, New York City, last evening, under the direction of Associate Professor Ruth Douglas.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Hazelwood, 611 Kent avenue, Miss Hazelwood is a member of this year's senior class, and sang in the first soprano section. The concert included Christmas carols of the various countries.

### Marriage Licenses

Two marriage licenses were issued yesterday in the office of the clerk of circuit court. They were issued to:

Raymond Delost Sproul, Jr., Leechburg, Pa., and Catherine Esther Survey, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Earl Francis Dick and Geraldine May Ware, Cresaptown,

### Scout Carolers Sing for Rotarians

A picked group of singers from various Girl Scout troops sang Christmas carols for Rotarians yesterday at their weekly luncheon at the Central Y. M. C. A.

Attired in appropriate costumes, the girls first sang several old English Yuletide carols to represent an old custom handed down from medieval times. Then a program of modern Christmas carols was given.

The carolers were directed by Miss Pearl Garbrick, instrumental music teacher at Fort Hill high school.

Attention of the Rotarians was also given to the Boy Scouts and the Salvation Army.

On behalf of James S. Thayer, chairman of the Boy's Work committee, Miles G. Thompson, chairman of the Cumberland council organization of the Potomac council of the Boy Scouts, introduced Alfred W. Rowley, scoutmaster, and Robert O. Frankum, assistant scoutmaster of Troop No. 7, to whom he presented Christmas presents from the club in appreciation of their work in organizing and building up the troop.

Both of the troop leaders are Kelly-Springfield men, having come here about a year ago. Rowley from Albany, N. Y., and Frankum from Gainesville, Ga.

Capt. Robert S. Ball of the Salvation Army, expressed the sincere thanks of the organization for contributions made by members in a Santa Claus kettle, which the club had asked him to provide for the occasion.

Capt. Ball reported on the special Christmas work of the army, which he explained was in addition to its relief work and was intended to be a means of promoting cheer and happiness among recipients for the Christmas season. The army is giving 400 treats and 300 toys to children, eighty baskets of food and fruits to families and presents to all its Sunday school pupils.

### Scout Leaders Meet

The Girl Scout Council met yesterday afternoon at the little house, with Mrs. Morris Barnes, commissioner, presiding and heard the various reports. Mrs. Joseph Williams, reporting on the area meeting recently in Hagerstown, told of the plans for camp and leaders courses, and the tentative plans for an advanced leaders course to be held here. She also gave the house committee report.

Mrs. William E. Walsh gave the public relations committee report; Mrs. Barnes, the commissioners report, the Juliette Low group report and the organization committee reports; Mrs. Franklin Cramer, the service bureau report; and Miss Mary Shriver, the Leaders association report.

### Firemen Plan Party

The Bowman's Addition Volunteer Fire Department will hold a Christmas party for the children of the community Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Treats will be available for all at the festivities which will be held in the fire hall.



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### St. Mary's Music Club Gives Program

The Music Club of St. Mary's school presented a Christmas program entertaining the parents at the annual holiday party given by the school faculty, yesterday in the school auditorium, at which time the St. Mary's Junior Orchestra made its first public appearance.

The orchestra is composed of eighteen members and includes, violins, clarinets, cornets, saxophones, orchestra-bells, a cello, bass and flutes as well as the piano. It played "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," and "O Little Town of Bethlehem."

Maurine Summers, president of the club, welcomed the group and announced the program. The children played their own favorites, with the piano solos including "Away in the Manger" by John Jones; "Jolly Old Saint Nicholas" by Delores Lisanti; "First Noel," Mary Lou Cross; "Jingle Bells," Barbara Decker; "Silent Night," was chosen by Hugh Scott, Angela Long, Ann Catherine Davis, John Stephens and Barbara Davis played "Christmas Eve," which in the course of the piece also introduced "Silent Night."

Thomas Knott played "Jolly Old St. Nicholas," as a clarinet solo, with Regina Britt at the piano. Theresa Malahowski and Rose Marie Cruthers played a violin duet of "O Holy Night." Vilma Grassi, a piano solo of "Christmas Chimes," and the program which also included the group singing of, "O Come All Ye Faithful," with Ellene Cary at the piano; "Deck the Halls," with Ellen Nora Coyle at the piano; closed with the singing of "The First Noel" with Ellen Nora at the piano.

While the children marched to their places at the refreshment table Vilma Grassi played a march. A red and white color scheme was carried out in the decorations of the table with red streamers, poinsettias and place cards of carolers.

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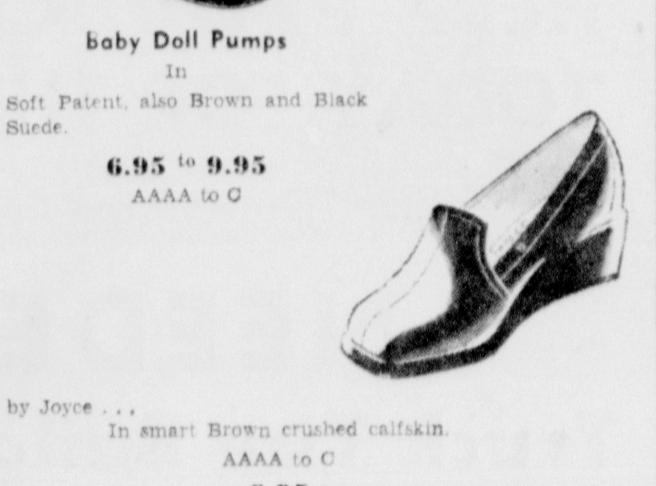
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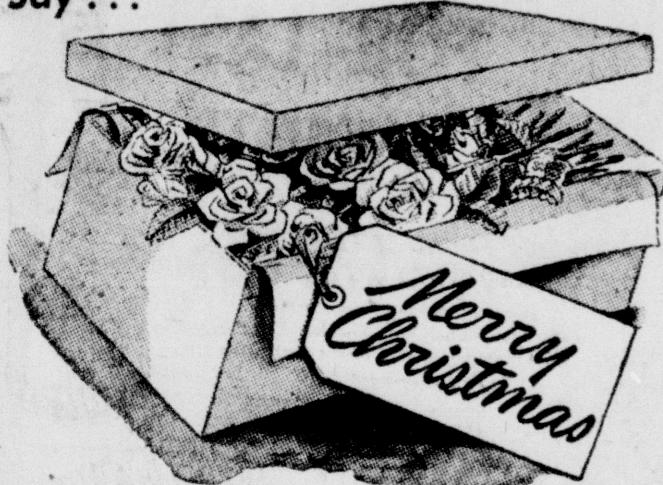
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BALTIMORE, Dec. 19 (AP) — Three Italians from the motorship Poza Rica were indicted today by a federal grand jury on charges of unlawfully harboring a fourth Italian who escaped from a French prisoner of war establishment at Oran, North Africa.

United States Attorney Bernard J. Flynn said immigration authorities discovered there was an extra man aboard the Poza Rica after the crew objected to loading the ship with high test gasoline, and the immigration officers were summoned.

**Three Men Indicted**  
Indicted were Salvatore Caminita, first engineer of the Italian vessel; Giacchino Valenti, second engineer; and Gaetano Termine, a member of the ship's gun crew.

The fourth man, Augusta Marasa, 34, of Palermo, Italy, was held without charge by immigration officials, who referred the case to the State department for determination of questions of international law.

Flynn said Marasa was captured

during the Mediterranean phase of the war by the British, but was officially a French prisoner when he stowed away on the Italian ship. Marasa was a sergeant major signalman in the Royal Italian navy, he informed immigration officers who caught him late in November. He had been in the Italian navy for eleven years.

The story told by Marasa, Flynn related, was that he was allowed Sunday privileges at the Oran prison and was accustomed to go aboard the Italian ship to have meals with Caminita, his cousin.

**Hid Aboard Ship**  
He stowed away about July 15, staying on the ship during the two weeks the vessel remained in port at Oran, and remained a stowaway for more than four months—including some weeks when the vessel was in drydock at Baltimore.

Finally, on last November 18, Flynn continued, when the ship was taken to a point near Baltimore for fumigation, Marasa was brought out of hiding and taken ashore, wearing the uniform or one of the ship's offi-

cers. He was hidden for about two weeks at the home of Termine, who married a Baltimore girl.

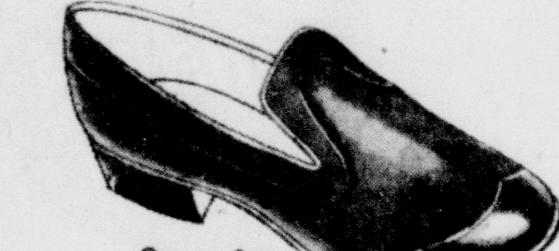
He was taken back aboard ship about the end of November, and it was after that he was found by the immigration authorities, Flynn said.

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## Gov. Neely Names Newspapermen to Honorary Staff

### Larry Allen Leads List of Writers

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 19 (AP)—Governor M. M. Neely of West Virginia tonight announced the commissioning of a dozen colonels on his honorary staff, most of them newspapermen and including Larry Allen, war correspondent for the Associated Press.

The commissioning of the newspapermen was the first gesture of its kind by a governor in the state's history.

**Allen 20 Months in Prison**  
Allen, sea-going reporter, was repatriated after spending twenty months in Italian and German prison camps. He is now on duty in the United States and in the last two weeks visited West Virginia on a lecture tour.

Allen recently was made an "admiral" of the Cherry River Navy, which in prewar days was an adjunct of the Spud and Splinter festival at Richwood.

Others receiving colonel commissions included:

Max Fullerton, Associated Press

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Members of Ohr Lodge No. 131 and all Master Masons are requested to meet at the Masonic Temple Wednesday, December 20th at 1 P. M. for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late brother, George D. Calvert.

Signed,  
M. Albert Kalbaugh,  
Worshipful Master  
Fred P. Keyser,  
Sec.  
Adv.—T-Dec. 19, N-Dec. 20.

### Notice of Annual Meeting

The stockholders of the Commercial Savings Bank of Cumberland, Maryland, are hereby notified that the annual meeting of stockholders will be held at its banking house, No. 55 North Liberty Street, Cumberland, Maryland, on January 13th, 1945, at 2:30 o'clock P. M., for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

By Order of Board of Directors  
GEORGE C. COOK, Secretary.  
Dated December 13, 1944.

**WASHINGTHON, Dec. 19 (AP)** — The largest manufacturers of wool clothing in the country will be frozen to the manufacture of woolen overcoats for the army Jan. 1.

The order, issued today by the War Production Board, is effective through April 30, 1945, and requires equal deliveries of the garments through February, March and April.

The action applies to all manufacturers who produced, between July 1 and Sept. 30 of this year, at least 1,750 men's overcoats, or 7,000 men's coats, including overcoats, from wool fabrics.

**Baltimore Mails Moving Promptly**

**BALTIMORE, Dec. 19 (AP)** — Baltimore Postmaster Neal A. Sibley said today there had no delay in processing of Christmas parcels in the local post office because of lack of facilities to move them.

Each day's crop of outgoing parcels mailed here is being cleared the same day, he said, adding that transportation facilities were adequate to handle holiday mail.

The volume of mail this month is three per cent below that of last December, he said, although it was too early to determine whether it meant people had accepted the plea to mail early.

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S. Craig Shaw, publisher of the Moundsville Echo; Harry Williams, state manager for the United Press; Howard Chernoff, managing director of the West Virginia network; J. P. Plattenburg of New Cumberland, editor and owner of the Hancock Courier; C. W. Marsh, editor and owner of the Glenville Democrat; and Maj. George Spencer Roberts of Fairmont, commanding officer of an all-negro air corps unit overseas.

### 2,200 4-H Members To Get Certificates

COLLEGE PARK, Md., Dec. 19 (AP)—At least 2,200 of Maryland's 11,000 4-H boys and girls are qualified to receive "feed a fighter" certificates for having produced sufficient food for one or more persons in the armed services, state 4-H officials announced today.

Mylo S. Downey and Dorothy Emerson, state 4-H club agents at the University of Maryland, listed these enrollments by projects for 4-H members this year: Garden crops, 5,000; poultry, 1,800; dairy club, 800; beef cattle, 175; swine, 950; home furnishings, 1,650; home management, 4,100; food selection and preparation, 3,650; clothing, 3,650; keeping of personal accounts, 1,250.

**Allen 20 Months in Prison**  
Allen, sea-going reporter, was repatriated after spending twenty months in Italian and German prison camps. He is now on duty in the United States and in the last two weeks visited West Virginia on a lecture tour.

Allen recently was made an "admiral" of the Cherry River Navy, which in prewar days was an adjunct of the Spud and Splinter festival at Richwood.

Others receiving colonel commissions included:

Max Fullerton, Associated Press

**Wool Clothing To Be "Frozen" for Army**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP)—The largest manufacturers of wool clothing in the country will be frozen to the manufacture of woolen overcoats for the army Jan. 1.

The order, issued today by the War Production Board, is effective through April 30, 1945, and requires equal deliveries of the garments through February, March and April.

The action applies to all manufacturers who produced, between July 1 and Sept. 30 of this year, at least 1,750 men's overcoats, or 7,000 men's coats, including overcoats, from wool fabrics.

**Baltimore Mails Moving Promptly**

**BALTIMORE, Dec. 19 (AP)** — Baltimore Postmaster Neal A. Sibley said today there had no delay in processing of Christmas parcels in the local post office because of lack of facilities to move them.

Each day's crop of outgoing parcels mailed here is being cleared the same day, he said, adding that transportation facilities were adequate to handle holiday mail.

The volume of mail this month is three per cent below that of last December, he said, although it was too early to determine whether it meant people had accepted the plea to mail early.

**Tangerines — Firey color, Sweet and Juicy — Even the children can peel them — and the flavor, simply delicious.** Hager's Fruit Market, 832 N. Mechanic St. Open evenings and Sunday.

Adv. N-T-Dec. 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22

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**Kenneth Witt, 21, Of Mount Savage, Killed in Action****Gunner Mechanic in Air Force Died in France on December 2****By CATHERINE O'ROURKE**  
MT. SAVAGE, Dec. 19.—Sgt. Kenneth Witt, 21, was killed in action in France on December 2, according to a telegram received yesterday by his father, William Witt, from the War department. Sgt. Witt was stationed in the air force as a gunner mechanic and had been overseas since October.

Sgt. Witt, whose mother was the late Mrs. May Blucker Witt, attended Mt. Savage high school and Bell high school, Frostburg. Prior to his entrance into the armed forces, he was employed by the Maryland and Pennsylvania Railroad shops, Mt. Savage, and later by the Kelly Springfield Tire Company.

Besides his father, he is survived by one brother and five sisters. Memorial services for Sgt. Witt will be held December 26, at 7:30 p.m. at the Mt. Savage Methodist church.

**Lions Hear Lt. Aldridge.**

The Lions Club of Mt. Savage held its regular dinner-meeting in the recreation hall of the Methodist church with Lt. Aldridge as speaker. Lt. Aldridge is home on furlough from Panama, where he is stationed with the air corps. He gave an interesting discussion on living and weather conditions in Panama and told of his work of forecasting weather conditions.

Lt. Aldridge related how he had at one time made a forecast of light rain in the afternoon. The rain came in the afternoon, but it was the heaviest rain in that section for over fifty years. Following his talk, an open forum was held.

**Mt. Savage Briefs**

Mt. Savage Council, Knights of Columbus, is making plans for the annual bazaar to be held from December 26 to December 30, inclusive, at the K. of C. home, Main street.

A party for the benefit of St. Patrick's Catholic church will be held Friday evening at 8:30 o'clock in the parish hall.

The Women's Society of Christian Service of the Mt. Savage Methodist church will hold a meeting tomorrow evening at the church, following the Bible study service, which will begin at 7:30 o'clock.

**Firemen Elect 1945 Officers****BY MYRTLE PARK**

PETERSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 19.—The Petersburg Volunteer Fire company met Monday night and elected the following officers for the year of 1945:

President, Merle Mongold; vice president, William Lewis; secretary, Joe Harman; treasurer, Earl Bush; sergeant at arms, Junior Roby; fire chief, Justin Arnold; assistant fire chief, David Trenton; captain, Joe Weimer; first lieutenant, Harman Roby; and second lieutenant, Dick Mongold.

**PERSONALS**

The Misses Madeline Henderson, Mildred Brill and Mary Elsie Shobe, students at Montreal college, Montreal, N. C. will arrive tomorrow to spend the holidays with their parents.

Seaman Warnie Ayers is here visiting relatives from Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Smith have returned from Baltimore.

Miss Diana Moosau, student at Hood college, Frederick, arrived yesterday to visit her mother, Mrs. Glenn Moosau.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sechrist spent yesterday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Jeff O. Rehlinger, Maysville.

Mrs. C. H. Park and son spent Sunday in Moorefield visiting Mr. and Mrs. William Kemp.

Miss Helen Layton student at Saint Hall college, Staunton, Va. is here spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Layton.

Mrs. Alma Hinkle, Franklin, spent the weekend here visiting her husband.

William Van Meter, student at Augusta Military academy, Fort Detachment, Va. arrived today to visit his parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Van Meter.

Miss Fay Alta Judy has accepted position as clerk in the store of Harman and Company.

The Misses Mable Clover and Betty Carter, students at Potomac State college, Keyser, are here visiting their parents.

Mrs. Merle Hendrick, Moorefield, here visiting Mr. and Mrs. Lester Beaver.

**RETIRED COAL MINER IS TAKEN BY DEATH****By DONALD WILSON**

BARTON, Dec. 19.—Robert T. Longridge, 86, retired coal miner, died suddenly Monday evening at his home in Barton. Mr. Longridge had several hours after he became ill as he was shoveling snow at his home.

A native of Ireland, he was a son of the late Robert and Margaret Macaulay Longridge and came to Barton when he was 11 years old.

Besides his widow, Mrs. Mary Finch Longridge, he is survived by four sons, Rex and Robert Longridge, both of Morgantown, W. Va.; Joseph College Park, and Lt. Kenneth Longridge, with the army in the Philippines; four daughters, Mrs. James Campbell, this city; Miss Mary Margaret Longridge, at home; Mrs. Fred Pierson, Covington, Calif.; Mrs. Thomas Neff, Morgan Hill; one sister, Mrs. Mary Glenn, of Wayne, Ind., and several grandchildren.

Funeral services, to be held at 1 p.m. Thursday afternoon at 111 Main street, will be in charge of the Rev. Stanley H. Jewell, pastor of Barton Presbyterian church. Interment will be in Laurel Hill cemetery, Moscow.

**WOUNDED IN GERMANY**  
**Brief News Notes From Keyser, W. Va.****By LUKE McDOWELL**  
KEYSER, W. Va., Dec. 19.—Queens Point Lodge, independent Order of Odd Fellows elected officers Monday night as follows:

C. J. Dancer, noble grand, six months; H. P. Ambrose, vice grand, six months; Luke McDowell, secretary, one year; C. D. Brown, treasurer, one year; M. W. Oates, financial secretary, one year and S. M. Bright, trustee, three years.

Dayton Ours, Ernest Marton, Ellis Hawk and Ira Lease, members of Philos Lodge, Westerport, assisted in conferring the second degree on James William Randall, for Philos Lodge.

After the lodge session refreshments were served.

Queens Point Lodge has requested Howard C. Loughry of Parsons, district deputy grand master, district No. 11, to be present on the evening of January 1 and install the officers for the ensuing term.

**Harry Sanders Dies**

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sanders were called to Morgantown on account of the death of Mr. Sanders' oldest brother, Harry Sanders of that city.

**Persons**

Haven L. Ideman, superintendent of Mineral county schools is attending an educational conference in Charleston this week.

Mrs. Marguerite Haines has entered Maryland General hospital, Baltimore, for treatment. She was accompanied to Baltimore by her son Ward M. Haines, Jr.

Sgt. Jay E. Johnson, Jr., is spending a short furlough with his parents at their home, 190 A street.

Miss Katherine Neuhauer is visiting her mother, Mrs. Gay Neuhauser.

Miss Barbara Bower has enlisted in the WAVES. She was accompanied to Washington by Miss Betty Tyler.

**Churchill Faces Showdown Today**

LONDON, Dec. 19 (AP)—A show-down on British policy in Greece developed suddenly tonight when it was agreed that a special emergency debate on the issue should be held in the House of Commons tomorrow.

Prime Minister Churchill, who had refused requests to debate the Greek question today, served notice on his critics that if they wanted a showdown it would have to come on a vote of censure, with his coalition government standing or falling on the outcome.

The minority Labor party accepted the prime minister's challenge and agreed to the debate on the vote of censure.

Churchill himself and possibly Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden are expected to plead the government's case.

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## German Attacks May Have Failed, Simpson Asserts

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON  
Associated Press War Analyst

There are heartening intimations that the German counterattack on the American First army front has already failed of its indicated main purpose.

Despite the growing German threat to the right, First army elements on the left flank are officially reported across the Roer and in the outskirts of Duren, which guards the road to Cologne. The obvious tactical basis of the Nazi countermove was to try to force diversion of American troops from the Roer sector and possibly also to compel a shifting of Third army reserves northward from the Saar area.

## Seek To Stabilize Front

While the scene and nature of dispositions to meet the counterattack are not revealed, intensive efforts to stabilize the front are reported. It is obviously being done, however, without prejudice as yet to the Allied offensives along the Roer or in the Saar basin sector.

That the Germans are paying heavily for ground gained is indisputable.

## THREE LOCAL YOUTHS ENTER NAVAL SERVICE

Charles Franklin Fradisca, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Fradisca, 639 Shriner avenue, will leave for Washington early this morning to report for naval combat air crewman training. Chief Petty Officer Walter B. Warmee, in charge of local navy recruiting, said yesterday.

Young Fradisca was a star guard on the Allegany high school basketball team before his graduation this year.

Two other local youths will leave today for Memphis, Tenn., where they will begin air combat crewman training in the navy. Chief Warmee said.

They are Alvin Joseph Paul, 22, Paw Paw way, and Jack H. Price, Cash Valley road. The boys, both 17, will receive thirty-six weeks of training in gunnery and radio, ordnance, or mechanics work, as well as preliminary combat training.

Albert D. Stewart, 22, Virginia avenue, and Albert W. Jones, Moorefield, W. Va., both 17, will report to the navy recruiting station here at 10 a. m. today prior to leaving for Baltimore. Chief Warmee said. The youths will take their final physical examinations in Baltimore tomorrow before beginning active service in the navy.

## Scout Honor Is Won By Former Local Man

A former resident of Cumberland was honored last week at Hagerstown when he was presented the Silver Beaver, highest award in scouting.

He is Robert Shircliffe, who married a niece of C. E. Fuller, 624 Elm street, and was employed here by the Potomac Edison Company before being transferred to Hagerstown.

## Grabenstein Will Is Probated Here

The will of Sebastian A. Grabenstein, 31 Marion street, who died December 5, was admitted to probate in orphans' court yesterday. A codicil to the will was also probated.

The home property was bequeathed to the unmarried children. Lt. Joseph S. Grabenstein, Camp Gordon Johnston, Fla.; Miss M. Lucy Grabenstein, at home, and P. DeSales Grabenstein, Baltimore. The codicil, which was drawn last September 20 and witnessed by Lydia M. Straub and M. J. Mullaney, specified that all the household goods and other contents of the home were to be given to Miss M. Lucy Grabenstein.

The will, drawn August 26, 1935, and witnessed by William Stewart, Edgar M. Lewis and Harry J. Stegmaier, also directed that the pastor

of SS. Peter and Paul Catholic church is to receive \$250 for masses for Mr. Grabenstein's wife, the late Mrs. Annie M. Grabenstein.

His daughter, Miss M. Lucy Grabenstein, will receive \$1,000 under the terms of the will, and the remainder of the estate is to be divided among the four children, one of whom is Mrs. Lydia M. Straub.

## Lt. Zembower Is Home on Furlough

First Lt. W. Glenn Zembower, 26, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton L. Zembower, 627 Lincoln street, who completed thirty-five missions over Europe as pilot of a B-17 Flying Fortress, arrived home Thursday to spend a leave with his parents. He will report to Richmond, Va., January 11.

A graduate of Allegany high school, Lt. Zembower entered the service in March, 1943, and trained at Gunter Field, Ala., George Field, Ill., and Avon Park, Fla., before going overseas to England last March. He holds the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with four Oak Leaf clusters, and the American theater campaign ribbon.

A brother, Chief Warrant Officer C. Merlin Zembower, 28, who is stationed with the army at Camp Campbell, Ky., came home on leave Monday evening. He will return to the father of two sons.

## 28 Grocery Stores Violate OPA Rules

Only twenty-eight grocery stores of the 168 checked in Allegany county this month were found to be violating OPA regulations by regarding overcharging and the posting of ceiling prices, price panel clerks of the local War Price and Rationing Board announced yesterday.

There are 315 grocery stores in the county, but all of them have not been checked yet because of recent bad weather conditions, it was stated.

El Salvador has about 12,000 coffee plantations, or fincas, with a total of about 140,000,000 trees.

## Two Cumberland Servicemen Are Wounded in Action

Two Cumberland servicemen have been wounded in action, according to yesterday's war casualty report.

Staff Sgt. George W. Faulkner, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Faulkner, 915 Maryland avenue, was slightly wounded December 2 while on a combat mission over Germany as waist gunner on a B-17 Flying Fortress.

A former student at Fort Hill high school, Sgt. Faulkner was employed at the Community Supermarket here before entering the army air forces April 9, 1943. He went overseas last September.

Pvt. Salem Humbertson, Jr., 26, son of Salem Humbertson, 707 Piedmont avenue, and husband of Mrs. Mary Swach Humbertson, 212 Cumberland street, was wounded in France, December 5.

A graduate of Allegany high school, Pvt. Humbertson was employed at the Celanese plant before entering the army last April. After training at Camp Blanding, Fla., he went overseas last September. He is the father of two sons.

## Lt. Edith Torkington Arrives in Marianas

A local girl, Lt. Edith Torkington, a member of the army nursing corps, recently arrived at an undisclosed island in the Marianas in the Pacific, according to word received by her mother, Mrs. J. W. Torkington, 678 Fayette street.

Lt. Torkington is one of five nurses who were first to land at this particular island in the Marianas. A graduate of the Corning, N. Y., Hospital School of Nursing, she was superintendent of the Children's Country Home, Washington, D. C., before entering the army nursing corps. She is a sister of William Torkington, Braddock road.

## Cameron Posts Bond On "Bookie" Charge

Don Cameron, booked as of 208 Virginia avenue, posted \$50 bond in police court yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock for a hearing on a charge of maintaining a gaming device.

Lt. B. Frank Gaffney and Officer W. P. Crabtree, who made the arrest, charged the Virginia avenue man with operating a "bookie" establishment on the upper floor of the old Y.M.C.A. building.

## Brothers Are Fined

Charged with drunk and disorderly conduct, two brothers who were arrested after fighting at a roadside inn near Cumberland last Friday were each fined \$25 and costs after a hearing which lasted nearly two hours in trial magistrates court yesterday morning.

The brothers are Estey Williams, 223 Baltimore avenue, an employee of the Novick Transfer Company, and Robert Williams, 505 Baltimore avenue.

Each denied starting the fight but admitted they got into the scrap when a friend of theirs was hit. Robert Williams was arrested early Sunday morning by Lt. James E. Van and Detective Edwin Lilla, and Estey Williams was arrested by Officer Frank Shober Monday morning.

Ten witnesses appeared before Magistrate Frank A. Perdew to testify in the case. Some of them had blackened eyes, and one woman was bandaged about the face.

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## Cumberland Soldier Broadcasts from Metz

Cpl. Harry E. Moore, a Cumberland soldier serving as a cook in the army, Monday night put this city on the air all the way from the fortress city of Metz on the western front in Europe.

Over the Blue network, Cpl. Moore was the subject of an interview staged by Ted Malone, overseas war correspondent, who introduced the local soldier to a worldwide audience as a "second Clark Gable, even to the ends of his pointed mustache."

Asked if he would like to extend the season's greetings to anyone in Cumberland, Cpl. Moore said "Merry Christmas" to a Miss Evelyn Humphreys. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Moore, 627 Baltimore avenue.

## Bar, Lounge Enlarged

The Port Cumberland hotel bar and lounge is being enlarged and is expected to be completed by the end of the week, according to C. Robert Barnes, manager. The addition is part of the old dining room and is decorated in a salmon color with blue drapes at the entrances. Plans are to have dancing after the first of the year, Barnes said.

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Mountain Heather..... \$1.00

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U. S. No. 1 Pa. Potatoes	15 lb. <b>47c</b>

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47c lb.	69c to \$1.49

## Public Favors Stern Treatment For Japan After the War Ends

By DR. GEORGE GALLUP  
Director, American Institute of Public Opinion

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 19.—In thinking of postwar treatment of defeated Axis nations, the American public takes a far sterner attitude toward the Japanese than it does toward the Germans.

When questioned about what we should do with Germany as a country after the war, most people suggest supervision and control, the destruction of Germany as a nation, or a program of rehabilitation and re-education.

While these same suggestions are made when people are asked the same question about Japan, a note of strong personal feeling is found in replies of a substantial segment of those included in the present survey.

Thirteen in every one hundred questioned feel so strongly about the Japanese that field reporters

for the Institute sent back such verbatim comments as these:

"Kill them all . . . Wipe them off the map . . . Clean them off the face of the earth . . . Sink the whole damned island. We don't want any rising sun left to set . . . Blast them off the face of the earth; you can't teach them and you can't change them."

The question asked in the survey is this:

"What do you think we should do with Japan as a country after the war?"

A statistical tabulation of replies shows American sentiments as follows:

Supervise and Control . . . 28%  
Destroy as a Political Entity, Split Up . . . 33%  
Kill All Japanese . . . 13%  
Re-educate, Rehabilitate . . . 8%  
Miscellaneous & No Opin. . . 18%

100%

In an earlier poll on Germany,

thirty-two per cent favored a program of control and supervision by the Allies, short of destruction or dismemberment of Germany as a nation. Thirty-four per cent suggested the destruction of Germany as a nation. Twenty-two per cent favored a program of re-education and rehabilitation. Twenty-two per cent made miscellaneous suggestions or had no opinion to offer.

Anti-friction bearings were first used in steel mills in the United States about 1920.

## Maryland Travel Hampered by Storm

[By The Associated Press]

State Roads commission employees and equipment got another workout yesterday (Tuesday) when snow ranging in depth up to seven inches hampered Western Maryland travel.

Last week they had to push their way through more than a foot of

snow in some sections in that region.

Plows and cinder crews were called on to clear roads of snow that in Northern Frederick county was seven inches deep and in Garrett county and parts of Allegany county were six and nearly four inches respectively.

Southern Frederick county and Washington county had three to four inches. Other areas were less severely hit.

Sub-freezing weather, which made

roads slippery in places, complicated workers' tasks. Forty-four trucks were out in Western Maryland and eight in Baltimore and Harford counties.

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Men's Hats	4.35	and	5.95
Men's Sweaters	1.49	to	6.95
Sleeveless Sweaters	1.00	to	3.95
Sport Shirts	1.95	to	3.95
Heavy Cotton Work Shirts	1.49	to	2.95
Wallets and Key Cases	1.00	to	3.95 plus tax
Mufflers	1.00	to	2.95
Men's Ties	49c	and	1.00
Men's Undershirts, light weight or heavy	35c	to	79c
Men's Caps	1.00	to	1.65

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Boys' Jackets	3.39	to	12.95
Boys' Longies	2.95	to	6.95
Boys' Sweaters	1.00	to	4.95
Boys' Sailor Suits	3.95	and	4.95
Boys' Alaskan Pile Lined Coats	9.95	and	11.95
Boys' Leisure Coats	6.95	and	7.95
Boys' Caps and Helmets	1.00	to	1.95
Boys' Sox, with elastic tops	35c—3 pairs	\$1.00	
Boys' Knickers			2.95
Little Tots Legging Sets			5.95
Boys' Snow Suits			7.95
Bigger Boys' Legging Sets			\$16.95
Boys' Ski-Pants			4.35
Boys' Long Sleeve Sport Shirts	\$1.35	to	2.19
Boys' Sleeveless Sweaters	1.00	to	2.95
Small Boys' Briefs...half elastic 49c—2 pairs	95c		
Boys' Ties	35c—3 for	\$1.00	
Boys' Long Sleeve Polo Shirts			.95c
Boys' Ties	35c—3 for	\$1.00	
Small Boys' Bib-alls	\$1.39	to	\$1.95
Boys' Raincoats			\$3.39

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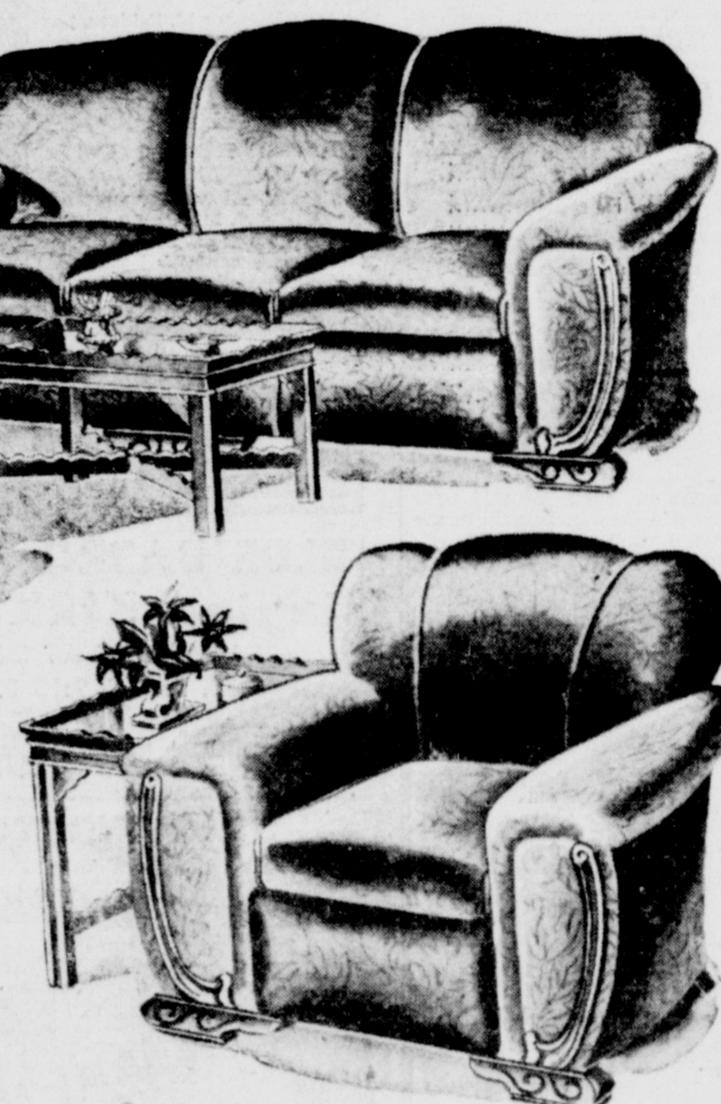
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## Navy Cage Squad Has Experience

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Dec. 19 (AP) — Five lettermen, plus nine promising plebes and five other experienced basketeers, are whizzing around the naval academy basketball court these days, working up a winning quint to celebrate Head Coach Johnson Wilson's twenty-fifth season as a Tar mentor.

Height will be about the only thing missing from the combination of Lettermen Captain Ernie Litty and Adgie Bach at guard; Dick Dunn at center; "Mac" McKay and Jack Carroll at forward.

Veterans of last year's Jayvee and plebe squads include Bob Howe, Russ Owen and Dick Elsworth forwards; "Mac" McMurray, center, and "Mid" Middleton, guard.

Of the plebes, Goggy Ingram, Neese Nelson, "Curley" Young and Ken Shugart should prove excellent forwards; Cy Walkrop, tallest member of the squad who stands six foot three, and "Chuck" Sheeman look like good bets at center; Wally Meulder, "Duck" Dick and "Robbie" Robbins also appear to be good material; the veteran coach said, Wilson will be coaching his thirty-first basketball season, having spent six years at St. John's college in Anna-polis, and twenty-four at the academy, eighteen as head coach.

Comdr. Porter F. Bedell, captain of the 1933 Navy quint who recently returned from the Pacific theater, will serve as assistant coach and officer representative.

## Dodger Training Site

BROOKLYN, N. Y. (AP) — The Dodgers announced they will return to Bear Mountain inn for spring training. Brooklyn has conditioned there the last two years.

## College Basketball

Westminster St., Arkansas U. 61, North Carolina St., Morris Field 29, Notre Dame, Loras 44, DePaul 48, Purdue 48.

GULFSTREAM RESULTS

FIRST—Razor Sharp, 5.60, 4.90, 2.90.

SECOND—Madagascar, 23.20, 12.60, 6.70.

THIRD—Peppe, 7.20, 2.60, 1.80.

DAILY DOUBLE—12.60 for 2.00.

THIRD—Bob Mann, 37.50, 15.90, 2.60.

FOURTH—Duke, 10.50, 4.70, 2.80.

FIFTH—Duke, 10.50, 4.70, 2.80.

Great Divide, 3.10, 2.60; Runaway, 8.30.

—FIFTH—Peppe, 8.10, 4.10, 2.30.

Eighty, 2.60; Blarney, 8.10.

—Ninth—Playboy, 7.20, 3.60, 2.80.

Peppe, 4.40, 2.50; Magdale, 2.80.

SEVENTH—Desert Ace, 7.90, 4.50, 2.60.

Midnight Ride, 10.60, 3.50; Light of Morn, 2.30, 1.80.

EIGHTH—Riverbank, 12.90, 5.40, 3.70.

Thalei, 5.70, 4.50; Peace Maker, 6.10.

GULFSTREAM PARK SCRATCHES

FIRST RACE—Galant Dick, Time Play.

THIRD—Peppe, 8.10.

FOURTH—Miss Observer.

FIFTH—Smoothy, Hayal Tinty, Observer.

Fleet Queen.

SIXTH—Migration, Listing.

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SECOND—Sharp, Reward, 11.80, 5.60.

THIRD—Lucky, 11.80, 5.60, 5.60.

FOURTH—McDonald, 11.80, 5.60.

FIFTH—White Easter, 9.40, 3.60; Nita Jean, 3.80.

SIXTH—Gallant, 21.60, 4.60, 2.60; Randie, 2.40, 2.20.

SEVENTH—Press Box, 11.40, 8.20, 3.20; Pittsburgh, 5.60, 3.20; Equipped, 2.20.

EIGHTH—Up Jack, 11.60, 3.40, 3.80.

NINE—Whale, 5.20, 4.00; Water Light, 3.60.

EIGHTEEN—Masquel, 28.40, 8.80, 4.20; Come-17, 7.60, 7.20; Miss Gallant, 6.80.

CHARLES TOWN SCRATCHES

FIRST RACE — Maryland Man, Gay Padre, Skippy McGee, Time Her, Rhyme Padre, Blue Melody.

SECOND—Lucky, 11.80, 5.60; Miss Upstart, Penwag, Mack's Gem, Rosa Astica, Pen-tagon Girl.

THIRD—Love Affair, Pendleton, Ham-mer, Colonial Sire, My Exit, Easter Pal.

FOURTH—Sickie, Dart, Meadow, Big Moose, Freeland, Own, Clan Osga, Big Moose.

FIFTH—Diamond Back, Bellmons, Golden Media, Fergie, Fortune, Grand Fortune, Roses Boy.

SIXTH — Carliariss, Buirushes, Oysy Padre, Fair Lass, Fair Isle, Crimson Queen, Padre, Longhorne, Big Symbol, Calaboso, Found Out, Barty, Jack Wilson.

Track frozen.

### CHARLES TOWN ENTRIES

(By the Associated Press)

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## Allegany Floormen Drop Opener As Somerset Rallies To Win 30-23

Campers Bow after Leading 16-12 in Third Quarter; Price, Stanley Pace Losers

SOMERSET, Pa., Dec. 19.—A second game in four starts, Price and Bill Stanley each had six markers for Allegany, which lost Cox on fouls with about three minutes of the clash remaining. The lineups:

SOMERSET		G.	F.G.	Pts.
Revello, f.	6	1-1	1	
		1-5	9	
A. Rose, f.	4	0-2	0	
Christner, g.	4	1-2	9	
Mason, g.	4	0-1	4	
G. James, sub	0	0-0	0	
Courtney, sub	0	0-0	0	
Hause, sub	0	0-0	0	
Hammon, sub	0	0-0	0	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4-11</b>	<b>30</b>	
Referee—Brinner.		3-8	23	

Tulsa Probably Will Win if It Can Spike Tech Air Attack

By CHICK HOSCH

ATLANTA, Dec. 19 (AP)—If Tulsa can spike Georgia Tech's aerial attack again, the men of Henry Franks probably will avenge that (W. Va.) high will probably be stepping out of their class when they meet a classy Alumni quint tonight at 8 o'clock on the Fort Hill floor.

The recently-organized Cumberland American Legion independent squad will furnish the majority of the Alumni players. Among those who will be in uniform for the Grads are Del Proudfont, Mel "Newt" Henry, Paul Butts, Joe Barrett, Dick Kauffman, "Bus" Miller, Norm Mason, Fred Davis, Jack Mayo and Tom Minke.

Fort Hill has won its last two starts, squaring accounts with Piedmont and whipping the Romney (W. Va.) High Pioneers Monday evening.

In the preliminarily tussle at 6:50 the Fort Hill reserves will meet St Paul's Lutheran tossers, of the Central YMCA Sunday School League. Cliff Farmer will referee the main game with "Spike" Heroldshofer officiating in the pre-game.

Of the seventy-eight editors participating in the AP poll, twenty-six cast first place ballots for the Senators who piled up ninety-four points to outdistance all opposition in the disqualification.

**Notre Dame Eleven Second**

Notre Dame's football club was voted into second place with thirty-nine points, on the basis of the 59-0 score Army ran up against the Irish.

Army's gridiron had been named the team-of-the-year by a wide margin over the St. Louis Cardinals who, strangely enough, were "busts" of 1943 after bowing to the Yankees in the World Series.

The Army also rated an assist for making Navy's football team the third biggest disappointment of the year with twenty-nine points although most of the ballots specified the Middies' early season troubles were the deciding factor.

Detroit's final-day defeat by the Senators helped shove the Tigers into fourth place with twenty-two markers. Although the game cost the Tigers at least a tie for the pennant it didn't help Washington escape the dungeon.

Browns Placed Fifth

The St. Louis Browns put over one of the big surprises of the campaign by copping their first championship, but failure to hit in the World Series brought them eighteen points and fifth spot. The New York Yankees' fall and, in particular, their four straight defeats by the Browns in the final series, gave them sixth ranking with the Brooklyn Dodgers, Chicago Cubs and Penske's seven straight setbacks after copping the Kentucky Derby and Preakness, finishing in a three-way tie for seventh.

One writer tabbed the failure of Randolph Field and Bainbridge navy to meet in football his biggest disappointment and another merely indicated college football as a whole. The lineups:

**Bruce High Tops Fort Ashby, 30-25**

WESTERNPORT, Dec. 19.—Bruce high's basketball team broke into the winning column for the first time this season here tonight when the local combination handed Fort Ashby (W. Va.) high its first setback of the campaign, 30-25.

Fort Ashby, seeking its third straight triumph, held a 4-3 edge at the quarter but failed to score in the following period as Bruce found the range to lead 15-4 at the half. After three rounds, the Westernport boys held the long end of a 22-12 count.

Vic Cueva meshed nine of Bruce's thirteen baskets and picked up two points at the foul line for a total of twenty markers. Calvin Davis found the hoops for half of Fort Ashby's ten doubledeckers. The lineups:

**Totals**

**FORT ASHBY**

**G. F.G. Pts.**

**McGinn, f.** 1 2 0-0 4

**Salecky, f.** 1 2 0-0 4

**Ravenscroft, c.** 1 1-0 1

**Robert, g.** 0 0-1 1

**Campbell, g.** 2 2-0 20

**Hanson, sub** 0 0-0 0

**Price, sub** 0 0-0 0

**Dynnelly, sub** 0 0-0 0

**Totals**

**Referee—Clark.**

**Bruce**

**G. F.G. Pts.**

**Booth, f.** 6 2-2 14

**Booth, g.** 6 1-1 13

**Keister, g.** 1 0-0 1

**Gregg, sub** 2 0-1 4

**Maple, sub** 0 0-0 0

**McGinn, sub** 0 0-1 0

**Ramelli, sub** 1 1-3 3

**Nealis, sub** 0 0-0 0

**Montgomery, sub** 0 0-0 0

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## Cold Wave Grips Cumberland and Tri-State Area

Temperature Drops toward Zero; Roads Remain Hazardous

A pre-holiday cold wave of close to zero weather hit snow-covered Cumberland and the tri-state area yesterday, and shortly before midnight state police reported it was snowing hard west of Claysville. It was snowing in Cumberland at midnight.

Snow and ice as well as frozen slush from Monday's snowfall and last week's blizzard continued to make street and highway travel hazardous but city and inter-city bus lines reported last night they again were operating on schedule.

Treacherous roads caused some slight delay of inter-city buses Monday night, and ice on streets in hilly sections of the city necessitated rerouting of several Potomac Edison buses, but last night service was reported to be back to normal.

### Cold Temperatures Reported

Ice and snow churned to slush Monday by traffic froze again late Monday night and yesterday morning as a result of an eighteen-degree drop in temperature to an overnight minimum of eighteen degrees, registered at 8 a.m. yesterday.

At 4 o'clock last night, the temperature was down to eighteen degrees once more in Cumberland and it was expected to drop closer to zero by morning.

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### Roads Open but Slippery

Tom T. Downey, district engineer of the state roads commission, said last night that all roads are open and that highways in the county were cindered yesterday.

Both Downey and state police, however, again cautioned motorists to drive with care and warned them against driving without chains. They reported roads still very slippery.

State roads crews were still at work in Garrett county widening roads and moving snow farther off the highways last night. Downey said there was some slight drifting in Garrett county yesterday.

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### Engagement Announced

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Mrs. Zona Tonic of Washington, D. C., to Sgt. William E. Powell, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Powell, 52 Hill street, this city.

The wedding will be solemnized Christmas eve in the Metropolitan A.M.E. church. Miss Maxine Powell, sister of the bridegroom, will be maid of honor and Jack Vincent Powell, steward's mate first class, stationed in Annapolis, will be with him will be his brother's best man.

Mrs. Tonic is a typist in the department of Agriculture, in Washington.

Sgt. Powell, a graduate of Carver high school in 1941 was employed at the filling station at Market and Mechanic street, prior to entering the service, two and one half years ago. He is now stationed with a transport division of the army base terminal at Brooklyn, N. Y., and is home on furlough until December 27.

Two Cumberland men committed to the house of correction by Associate Judge William A. Huster last night on charges of violating prison rules were removed to the state prison Monday by Sheriff David M. Stiles.

One of the men, John W. Poffenberger, 41, of 10 Bellevue street, was imprisoned for eighteen months, and the other, Richard Clark, 30, of 121 Oldtown road, for fifteen months.

## Fort Hill Choir Sings Carols at Queen City

Christmas carols were sung for the passengers of three Baltimore and Ohio passenger trains by the Fort Hill high school a cappella choir, directed by Miss Dorothy Sebree, last evening at the Queen City station.

The choir of forty voices opened their program at 8:15 p.m. in the waiting room and then moved to the platform to sing to the passengers on the Capitol Limited, the Ambassador and the Columbian.

## 200 Attend Yule Party of C. & P. Telephone Firm

### Children Are Given Treat; Plant Forces Safety Record Praised

Approximately 200 employees and members of their families attended the annual Christmas party of the Allegany and Garrett county employees of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of Baltimore City last night in the Central YMCA.

The program of entertainment combined amusement for the group-ups as well as the children. It included group singing of Christmas carols, led by Miss Maxine Smith and Miss H. V. Leisure. A feature particularly pleasing to the children was the singing and dancing act of the pupils of the Lee Winter Studio.

Miss Mildred Frost, of the Cumberland Traffic Department, was the piano accompanist for the duet of Misses Smith and Leisure.

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The climax of the evening, so far as the children were concerned, was the appearance of Santa Claus, in the person of Massey H. Roe, plant wire chief from Hagerstown, who came to Cumberland as Kris Kringle will on Christmas eve "from over the hills and far away."

Most of the children had written letters to Santa Claus telling him that they had been good, but good or bad, letter or no letter, he remembered each one with a stocking filled with candies, nuts and fruit.

Miss Mary Catherine Schaeff was mistress of ceremonies and handled the job so well that the men who seem to dominate this field had better look to their laurels. Following the entertainment refreshments were served.

Christmas greetings were officially extended by August B. Hanke, vice president and general manager, who came to Cumberland yesterday and brought with him members of his staff and department heads of the telephone company. Mr. Hanke conducted a conference in the afternoon on the company's operations and had in attendance E. R. Koogler, auditor; M. C. Rose, assistant general manager; H. S. Boyle, Jr., general commercial manager; J. W. Latham, chief engineer; R. B. Miller, general plant manager; N. E. Showalter, general traffic manager and R. K. Wheat, general service manager from Baltimore; R. L. Schleunes, district commercial manager; W. F. Johnson, district traffic manager and E. W. Lautenbach, district plant manager from Hagerstown and Mrs. Helen Johnson, chief operator; E. H. Bender, plant chief, and J. H. Cromwell, manager of Cumberland.

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**"WINTER IN ALL ITS GLORY"**— might well be the title of this picture which was snapped yesterday by the NEWS photographer on Washington street. Winter's handiwork stands out clearly in this fine view of the grounds and residence of Mrs. Mary C. Roman, 111 Washington street as they are seen beneath an undisturbed fresh snow. The snow-padded trees and shrubbery hide the house, which can easily be seen from the street, when the trees are bare. Bushes along the wall, filled with snow, can be seen hanging over the sidewalk.

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After a turkey dinner with the usual trimmings, members of the club were entertained by Oscar Parikh, an amateur magician and newcomer to Cumberland.

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Ralph E. Lashley, president of the club, presided at the meeting.

### Public Schools Close Today for Yule Season

Public schools of Allegany county will be closed for the Christmas vacation this afternoon and will be reopened on Wednesday, January 3.

Mineral county, W. Va., schools will close tomorrow afternoon and resume classes on Tuesday, January 2.

LaVale high school closed yesterday until January 3. Catholic Girls Central high school will close tomorrow while St. Patrick's school started its Yule vacation season yesterday. Both will open on January 4. St. Mary's school, Oldtown road, will close Thursday and reopen January 3. Closing and opening dates for Ursuline Academy and SS. Peter and Paul school were not available.

The students will sing "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" and during the Scripture reading and Lord's Prayer the Boys' Glee Club will sing "Silent Night."

Carrying lighted candles, members of the mixed choirs will form a procession down the aisles to the stage while singing "Adeste Fideles."

The choir will occupy seats on the stage on either side of a large stained-glass window which was made by Vivian Judy, Dorothy Elder and Peter Dendrenos, of the art class, which is directed by Mrs. Ethel Bruce.

Other musical numbers include: "The Angel," by Rubenstein, a soprano-alto vocal duet by Lois Stine and Helen Smith; "We Three Kings of Orient Are," by the choir, with John Yoder, Leonard Ferrone, and Edward Jenkins as soloists; "Lullaby on Christmas Eve," by Christiansen, by a cappella choir with Sylvia Mitchell as soloist; "There Were Shepherds," by Vincent, choir, with Lois Stine as soloist; "Christmas Carol Song," by Prokofoff, solo by Kathryn Richards, and "O Holy Night," tenor-alto duet by Donald Fresh and Helen Smith and chorus.

The first assembly period for the seventh, eighth and ninth grades is scheduled for 9:40 p.m., and the same program will be repeated for the tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades at 10:30 p.m.

"Christmas Tide," a selection by the orchestra, will open the program followed by the flag salute and singing of the "Star Spangled Banner."

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Four members of the elementary school administrative and supervisory staff of Allegany county are attending a three-day teacher training conference which opened last evening at 7 o'clock in Towson Town Teachers college, Towson, Md. The meetings will be concluded tomorrow at noon.

Those attending from here are Miss Lillian C. Compton, assistant superintendent; Misses Winifred Greene, Jane Botsford and Mildred Willison, supervising teachers.

The out-of-town officials of the company were guests of the employees at the Christmas party. The general committee on arrangements under the chairmanship of Mrs. Helen Johnson, included E. H. Bender and J. H. Cromwell. Misses Steele, Mrs. Mary Hausman and Mrs. Kathleen Deneen were in charge of arrangements for decorations and refreshments.

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